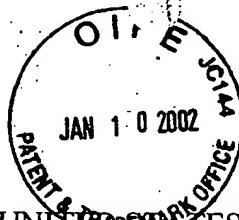


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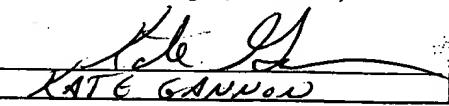


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REMARKS

Figure 9 has been amended to make the figure consistent with the "normal through" connection described in the specification and shown at FIG. 10B.

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